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SECURITY INFORMATION

COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT

TOPIC Arrival in East Germany of New Armored Scout Cars

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EVALUATION

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. On the afternoon of 14 September 1953, 38 new BA-64 armored scout cars and 240 BMW-350 sidecar motorcycles were unloaded on the spur track in the area of the Sachsenhausen concentration camp, north of the tank training site.¹
2. On the morning of 16 September, a train with about 60 armored scout cars arrived in Eberswalde from Frankfurt/Oder. Thirty-nine armored scout cars were redispached to Oranienburg via Templin, while the other vehicles went to Bernau.¹
3. On the morning of 14 September, a freight train with 38 armored scout cars, apparently new vehicles, was seen en route toward Eberswalde from the direction of Freienwalde.²
4. On the afternoon of 14 September, a train with 48 new armored scout cars passed through Templin railroad station from the direction of Eberswalde and proceeded toward a southerly direction.² 3

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1. Comment. The information refers to trains on 14 and 16 September respectively which were previously reported.

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2. Comment. Although the two shipments differ with regard to the number of personnel carriers or armored scout cars loaded, they are believed to be identical. It presumably was train Comment 1.

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3. Comment. The arrival of armored personnel carriers and/or armored scout cars from the USSR for the KVP is known. A shipment of vehicles was last observed on 25 September under train .

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